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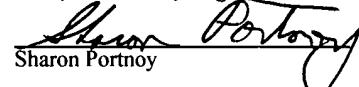
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S I R :

Responsive to the Patent Office Notice mailed June 21, 2006
(copy attached), the term for response to which expires on August
21, 2006, submitted herewith are the following:

1. Declaration executed by inventors Yuji MIKI and Akira YAMAUCHI, and which refers to the application by International Application number and filing date.
2. Declaration executed by Yuko TAKEUCHI, legal representative of the deceased inventor, Shuji TAKEUCHI, and which refers to the application by International Application number and filing date.
3. Assignment (page 1) executed by inventors Yuji MIKI and Akira YAMAUCHI.
4. Assignment (page 2) executed by Yuko TAKEUCHI, legal representative of the deceased inventor, Shuji TAKEUCHI.

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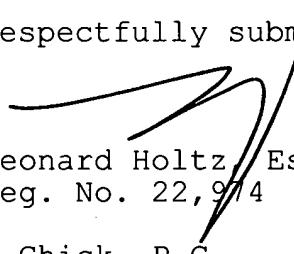
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Authorization is also given to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 06-1378.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed.

Respectfully submitted,


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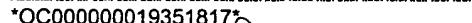
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/07/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 10/07/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/07/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 10/07/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/07/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/07/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/07/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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